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STATE OF NEW JERSEY

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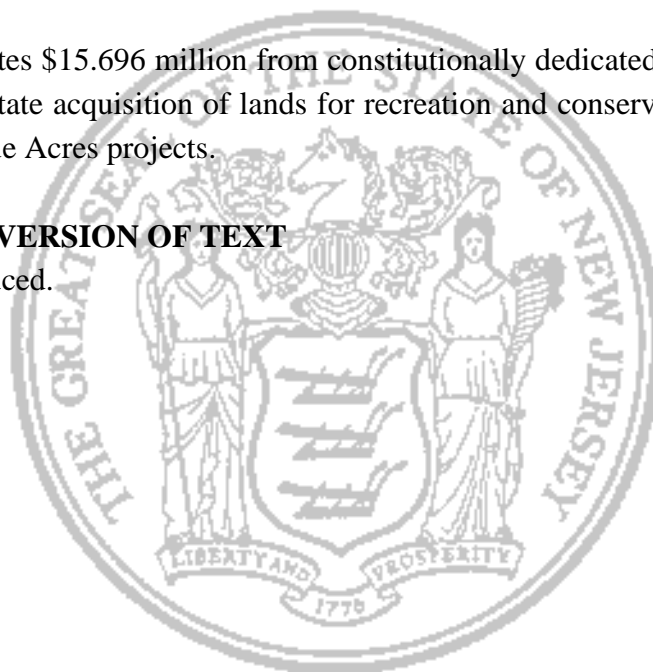
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SYNOPSIS

Appropriates \$15.696 million from constitutionally dedicated CBT revenues to DEP for State acquisition of lands for recreation and conservation purposes, including Blue Acres projects.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As introduced.



(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 12/18/2018)

AN ACT appropriating \$15,696,000 from constitutionally dedicated corporation business tax revenues for the acquisition of lands by the State for recreation and conservation purposes and for Blue Acres projects.

BE IT ENACTED by the Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey:

1. a. There is appropriated to the Department of Environmental Protection the sum of \$12,642,000 for the acquisition of lands by the State for recreation and conservation purposes in accordance with the provisions of the “Preserve New Jersey Act,” P.L.2016, c.12 (C.13:8C-43 et seq.), as follows:

(1) \$12,606,000 from dedicated corporation business tax revenues pursuant to Article VIII, Section II, paragraph 6 of the State Constitution in the “Preserve New Jersey Green Acres Fund,” established pursuant to section 6 of the “Preserve New Jersey Act,” P.L.2016, c.12 (C.13:8C-48); and

(2) \$36,000 from the unexpended balances in the Diesel Risk Mitigation Fund - Constitutional Dedication account and the Diesel Risk Mitigation Administrative Costs - Constitutional Dedication account made available for this purpose pursuant to the provisions of P.L.2018, c.53.

b. The funds appropriated pursuant to subsection a. of this section shall be allocated as follows:

Project	County	Municipality	Amount
(1) BARNEGAT BAY WATERSHED GREENWAY			\$1,000,000
	Monmouth	Freehold Twp Howell Twp	
	Ocean	Barnegat Twp Berkeley Twp Brick Twp Eagleswood Twp Jackson Twp Lacey Twp Lakewood Twp Little Egg Harbor Twp Ocean Twp Stafford Twp Toms River Twp	
(2) CAPE MAY PENINSULA			500,000
	Cape May	Cape May City Cape May Point Boro Dennis Twp Lower Twp Middle Twp Ocean City	

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1		Sea Isle City	
2		Upper Twp	
3		West Cape May Boro	
4		Woodbine Boro	
5			
6	(3) CROSSROADS OF AMERICAN REVOLUTION		1,642,000
7			
8	Bergen	Bogota Boro	
9		Carlstadt Boro	
10		East Rutherford Boro	
11		Fort Lee Boro	
12		Garfield City	
13		Hackensack City	
14		Hasbrouck Heights Boro	
15		Leonia Boro	
16		Little Ferry Boro	
17		Lodi Boro	
18		Lyndhurst Twp	
19		Maywood Boro	
20		Moonachie Boro	
21		New Milford Boro	
22		North Arlington Boro	
23		Palisades Park Boro	
24		Ridgefield Park Village	
25		River Edge Boro	
26		Rochelle Park Twp	
27		Rutherford Boro	
28		South Hackensack Twp	
29		Teterboro Boro	
30		Wallington Boro	
31		Wood-Ridge Boro	
32			
33	Burlington	Beverly City	
34		Bordentown City	
35		Bordentown Twp	
36		Burlington City	
37		Burlington Twp	
38		Edgewater Park Twp	
39		Fieldsboro Boro	
40		Florence Twp	
41		Hainesport Twp	
42		Mansfield Twp	
43		Maple Shade Twp	
44		Moorestown Twp	
45		Mount Holly Twp	
46		Mount Laurel Twp	
47		Palmyra Boro	
48		Riverside Twp	
49		Riverton Boro	
50		Springfield Twp	
51		Westampton Twp	
52		Willingboro Twp	
53			
54	Camden	Audubon Boro	
55		Audubon Park Boro	
56		Brooklawn Boro	
57		Camden City	
58		Cherry Hill Twp	

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1		Collingswood Boro
2		Gloucester City
3		Haddon Heights Boro
4		Haddon Twp
5		Haddonfield Boro
6		Merchantville Boro
7		Mount Ephraim Boro
8		Oaklyn Boro
9		Pennsauken Twp
10		Woodlynne Boro
11		
12	Essex	Belleville Twp
13		Irvington Twp
14		Livingston Twp
15		Maplewood Twp
16		Millburn Twp
17		Newark City
18		Nutley Twp
19		
20	Gloucester	National Park Boro
21		West Deptford Twp
22		Westville Boro
23		
24	Hunterdon	Delaware Twp
25		East Amwell Twp
26		Flemington Boro
27		Franklin Twp
28		Frenchtown Boro
29		Kingwood Twp
30		Lambertville City
31		Raritan Twp
32		Readington Twp
33		Stockton Boro
34		West Amwell Twp
35		
36	Mercer	East Windsor Twp
37		Ewing Twp
38		Hamilton Twp
39		Hightstown Boro
40		Hopewell Boro
41		Hopewell Twp
42		Lawrence Twp
43		Pennington Boro
44		Princeton Boro
45		Robbinsville Twp
46		Trenton City
47		West Windsor Twp
48		
49	Middlesex	Carteret Boro
50		Cranbury Twp
51		Dunellen Boro
52		East Brunswick Twp
53		Edison Twp
54		Helmetta Boro
55		Highland Park Boro
56		Jamesburg Boro
57		Metuchen Boro
58		Middlesex Boro

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1		Milltown Boro
2		Monroe Twp
3		New Brunswick City
4		North Brunswick Twp
5		Old Bridge Twp
6		Perth Amboy City
7		Piscataway Twp
8		Plainsboro Twp
9		Sayreville Boro
10		South Amboy City
11		South BrunswickTwp
12		South Plainfield Boro
13		South River Boro
14		Spotswood Boro
15		Woodbridge Twp
16		
17	Monmouth	Aberdeen Twp
18		Allentown Boro
19		Colts Neck Twp
20		Englishtown Boro
21		Freehold Boro
22		Freehold Twp
23		Holmdel Twp
24		Manalapan Twp
25		Marlboro Twp
26		Matawan Boro
27		Millstone Twp
28		Roosevelt Boro
29		Upper Freehold Twp
30		Wall Twp
31		
32	Morris	Boonton Town
33		Boonton Twp
34		Butler Boro
35		Chatham Boro
36		Chatham Twp
37		Chester Boro
38		Denville Twp
39		Dover Town
40		East Hanover Twp
41		Florham Park Boro
42		Hanover Twp
43		Harding Twp
44		Kinnelon Boro
45		Lincoln Park Boro
46		Long Hill Twp
47		Madison Boro
48		Mendham Boro
49		Mendham Twp
50		Mine Hill Twp
51		Montville Twp
52		Morris Plains Boro
53		Morris Twp
54		Morristown Town
55		Mountain Lakes Boro
56		Parsippany-Troy Hills Twp
57		Pequannock Twp
58		Randolph Twp

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1		Riverdale Boro	
2		Rockaway Boro	
3		Rockaway Twp	
4		Victory Gardens Boro	
5		Wharton Boro	
6			
7	Passaic	Clifton City	
8		Passaic City	
9			
10	Somerset	Bedminster Twp	
11		Bernards Twp	
12		Bernardsville Boro	
13		Bound Brook Boro	
14		Branchburg Twp	
15		Bridgewater Twp	
16		Far Hills Boro	
17		Franklin Twp	
18		Green Brook Twp	
19		Hillsborough Twp	
20		Manville Boro	
21		Millstone Boro	
22		Montgomery Twp	
23		North Plainfield Boro	
24		Peapack-Gladstone Boro	
25		Raritan Boro	
26		Rocky Hill Boro	
27		Somerville Boro	
28		South Bound Brook Boro	
29		Warren Twp	
30		Watchung Boro	
31			
32	Union	Berkeley Heights Twp	
33		Clark Twp	
34		Cranford Twp	
35		Elizabeth City	
36		Fanwood Boro	
37		Garwood Boro	
38		Hillside Twp	
39		Kenilworth Boro	
40		Linden City	
41		Mountainside Boro	
42		New Providence Boro	
43		Plainfield City	
44		Rahway City	
45		Roselle Boro	
46		Roselle Park Boro	
47		Scotch Plains Twp	
48		Springfield Twp	
49		Summit City	
50		Union Twp	
51		Westfield Twp	
52		Winfield Twp	
53			
54	(4) DELAWARE BAY WATERSHED GREENWAY		2,000,000
55			
56	Alloways Creek Greenway		
57			
58	Salem	Alloway Twp	

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1		Elsinboro Twp
2		Lower Alloways Creek Twp
3		Pilesgrove Twp
4		Quinton Twp
5		Upper Pittsgrove Twp
6		
7	<i>Cape May Tributaries</i>	
8		
9	Cape May	Dennis Twp
10		Lower Twp
11		Middle Twp
12		Upper Twp
13		
14	<i>Cohansey River Greenway</i>	
15		
16	Cumberland	Bridgeton City
17		Fairfield Twp
18		Greenwich Twp
19		Hopewell Twp
20		Lawrence Twp
21		Shiloh Boro
22		Upper Deerfield Twp
23		
24	Salem	Alloway Twp
25		
26	<i>Dividing/ Nantuxent/ Cedar/ Back Creeks Greenway</i>	
27		
28	Cumberland	Commercial Twp
29		Downe Twp
30		Fairfield Twp
31		Lawrence Twp
32		
33	<i>Maurice River Greenway</i>	
34		
35	Atlantic	Buena Boro
36		Buena Vista Twp
37		
38	Cape May	Dennis Twp
39		
40	Cumberland	Commercial Twp
41		Deerfield Twp
42		Maurice River Twp
43		Millville City
44		Vineland City
45		
46	Gloucester	Clayton Boro
47		Elk Twp
48		Franklin Twp
49		Glassboro Boro
50		Monroe Twp
51		Newfield Boro
52		
53	Salem	Elmer Boro
54		Pittsgrove Twp
55		Upper Pittsgrove Twp

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1	<i>Salem River/ Mannington Greenway</i>		
2			
3	Salem	Carneys Point Twp	
4		Elsinboro Twp	
5		Mannington Twp	
6		Oldmans Twp	
7		Pennsville Twp	
8		Pilesgrove Twp	
9		Upper Pittsgrove Twp	
10		Woodstown Boro	
11			
12	<i>Stow Creek Greenway</i>		
13			
14	Cumberland	Greenwich Twp	
15		Stow Creek Twp	
16			
17	Salem	Alloway Twp	
18		Lower Alloways Creek Twp	
19		Quinton Twp	
20			
21	(5) HIGHLANDS GREENWAY		5,000,000
22			
23	Bergen	Mahwah Twp	
24		Oakland Boro	
25			
26	Hunterdon	Alexandria Twp	
27		Bethlehem Twp	
28		Bloomsbury Boro	
29		Califon Boro	
30		Clinton Town	
31		Clinton Twp	
32		Glen Gardner Boro	
33		Hampton Boro	
34		High Bridge Boro	
35		Holland Twp	
36		Lebanon Boro	
37		Lebanon Twp	
38		Milford Boro	
39		Tewksbury Twp	
40		Union Twp	
41			
42	Morris	Boonton Town	
43		Boonton Twp	
44		Butler Boro	
45		Chester Boro	
46		Chester Twp	
47		Denville Twp	
48		Dover Town	
49		Hanover Twp	
50		Harding Twp	
51		Jefferson Twp	
52		Kinnelon Boro	
53		Mendham Boro	
54		Mendham Twp	
55		Mine Hill Twp	
56		Montville Twp	
57		Morris Plains Boro	
58		Morris Twp	

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1		Morristown Town
2		Mount Arlington Boro
3		Mount Olive Twp
4		Mountain Lakes Boro
5		Netcong Boro
6		Parsippany-Troy Hills Twp
7		Pequannock Twp
8		Randolph Twp
9		Riverdale Boro
10		Rockaway Boro
11		Rockaway Twp
12		Roxbury Twp
13		Victory Gardens Boro
14		Washington Twp
15		Wharton Boro
16		
17	Passaic	Bloomington Boro
18		Pompton Lakes Boro
19		Ringwood Boro
20		Wanaque Boro
21		West Milford Twp
22		
23	Somerset	Bedminster Twp
24		Bernards Twp
25		Bernardsville Boro
26		Far Hills Boro
27		Peapack-Gladstone Boro
28		
29	Sussex	Byram Twp
30		Franklin Boro
31		Green Twp
32		Hamburg Boro
33		Hardyston Twp
34		Hopatcong Boro
35		Ogdensburg Boro
36		Sparta Twp
37		Stanhope Boro
38		Vernon Twp
39		
40	Warren	Allamuchy Twp
41		Alpha Boro
42		Belvidere Town
43		Franklin Twp
44		Frelinghuysen Twp
45		Greenwich Twp
46		Hackettstown Town
47		Harmony Twp
48		Hope Twp
49		Independence Twp
50		Liberty Twp
51		Lopatcong Twp
52		Mansfield Twp
53		Oxford Twp
54		Phillipsburg Town
55		Pohatcong Twp
56		Washington Boro
57		Washington Twp
58		White Twp

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1	(6) HISTORIC RESOURCES		1,000,000
2			
3	<i>Allaire State Park</i>		
4			
5		Monmouth	Howell Twp
6			Wall Twp
7			
8	<i>Fort Mott Officers Quarters</i>		
9			
10		Salem	Pennsville Twp
11			
12	<i>Griggstown Muletenders Barracks</i>		
13			
14		Somerset	Franklin Twp
15			
16	<i>Historic Sites</i>		
17			
18		Burlington	Medford Twp
19			
20		Monmouth	Red Bank Boro
21			
22	<i>Monmouth Battlefield</i>		
23			
24		Monmouth	Freehold Twp
25			Manalapan Twp
26			
27	<i>New Bridge Landing</i>		
28			
29		Bergen	New Milford Boro
30			River Edge Boro
31			
32	<i>Proprietary House</i>		
33			
34		Middlesex	Perth Amboy City
35			
36	<i>Register Eligible Sites</i>		
37			
38		Somerset	Green Brook Twp
39			Watchung Boro
40			
41	<i>Rockingham Farmstead</i>		
42			
43		Somerset	Franklin Twp
44			
45	<i>Twin Lights</i>		
46			
47		Monmouth	Highlands Boro
48			
49	<i>Washington Crossing State Park</i>		
50			
51		Mercer	Ewing Twp
52			Hopewell Twp
53			
54	<i>Waterloo Village</i>		
55			
56		Sussex	Byram Twp
57			Stanhope Boro

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1	(7) NATURAL AREAS		500,000
2			
3	<i>Bill Henry Pond</i>		
4			
5		Atlantic	Egg Harbor Twp
6			
7	<i>Budd Lake Bog</i>		
8			
9		Morris	Mount Olive Twp
10			
11	<i>Campus Swamp</i>		
12			
13		Camden	Gloucester Twp
14			
15	<i>Capooling Creek</i>		
16			
17		Hunterdon	Franklin Twp
18			
19	<i>Cheesequake State Park</i>		
20			
21		Middlesex	Old Bridge Twp
22			
23	<i>Crossley Preserve</i>		
24			
25		Ocean	Berkeley Twp
26			Manchester Twp
27			
28	<i>Five Acre Pond</i>		
29			
30		Atlantic	Estell Manor City
31			
32	<i>Gravel Hill</i>		
33			
34		Hunterdon	Holland Twp
35			
36	<i>Great Piece Meadows/ Troy Meadows</i>		
37			
38		Essex	Fairfield Twp
39			Roseland Boro
40			West Caldwell Twp
41			
42		Morris	East Hanover Twp
43			Hanover Twp
44			Lincoln Park Boro
45			Montville Twp
46			Parsippany-Troy Hills Twp
47			Pequannock Twp
48			
49		Passaic	Wayne Twp
50			
51	<i>Hamburg Mountain</i>		
52			
53		Sussex	Franklin Boro
54			Hamburg Boro
55			Hardyston Twp
56			Vernon Twp

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1	<i>Hidden Lake</i>		
2			
3		Camden	Gloucester Twp
4			
5	<i>High Mountain</i>		
6			
7		Passaic	North Haledon Boro
8			Wayne Twp
9			
10	<i>Limestone Ridge</i>		
11			
12		Warren	Blairstown Twp
13			
14	<i>Lincoln Grove Preserve</i>		
15			
16		Middlesex	South Brunswick Twp
17			
18		Somerset	Franklin Twp
19			Montgomery Twp
20			
21	<i>Long-A-Coming Branch</i>		
22			
23		Camden	Winslow Twp
24			
25	<i>Milford Bluffs</i>		
26			
27		Hunterdon	Holland Twp
28			
29	<i>Mountain Lake Bog</i>		
30			
31		Warren	White Twp
32			
33	<i>Ogdensburg Fen</i>		
34			
35		Sussex	Ogdensburg Boro
36			
37	<i>Oswego River Natural Area</i>		
38			
39		Burlington	Washington Twp
40			
41	<i>Paulinskill River Greenway</i>		
42			
43		Warren	Knowlton Twp
44			
45	<i>Phone-In-Fen</i>		
46			
47		Warren	Hardwick Twp
48			
49	<i>Ramapo Lake Natural Area</i>		
50			
51		Bergen	Oakland Boro
52			
53		Passaic	Ringwood Boro
54			Wanaque Boro

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1	<i>Ramapo Mountain</i>		
2			
3		Bergen	Mahwah Twp
4			Oakland Boro
5			
6		Passaic	Pompton Lakes Boro
7			Ringwood Boro
8			Wanaque Boro
9			
10	<i>Sourland Mountains</i>		
11			
12		Hunterdon	East Amwell Twp
13			West Amwell Twp
14			
15		Mercer	Hopewell Twp
16			
17		Somerset	Hillsborough Twp
18			Montgomery Twp
19			
20	<i>Strawberry Hill</i>		
21			
22		Mercer	Hopewell Twp
23			
24	<i>Sunfish Pond</i>		
25			
26		Warren	Hardwick Twp
27			
28	<i>Sweet Hollow</i>		
29			
30		Hunterdon	Alexandria Twp
31			Holland Twp
32			
33	<i>Troy Meadows</i>		
34			
35		Morris	Parsippany-Troy Hills Twp
36			
37	<i>Uttertown Bog</i>		
38			
39		Passaic	West Milford Twp
40			
41	<i>Washington Crossing State Park</i>		
42			
43		Mercer	Hopewell Twp
44			
45	<i>Waterfront Access</i>		
46			
47		Monmouth	Sea Bright Boro
48			
49	<i>Wetlands Habitat/ Bog Turtle</i>		
50			
51		Sussex	Frankford Twp
52			Wantage Twp
53			
54	<i>Whale Pond</i>		
55			
56		Monmouth	Ocean Twp

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1	Woodbine Bogs		
2			
3		Cape May	Upper Twp
4			
5	(8) PINELANDS		500,000
6			
7		Atlantic	Brigantine City
8			Buena Boro
9			Buena Vista Twp
10			Corbin City
11			Egg Harbor City
12			Egg Harbor Twp
13			Estell Manor City
14			Folsom Boro
15			Galloway Twp
16			Hamilton Twp
17			Hammonton Town
18			Mullica Twp
19			Port Republic City
20			Weymouth Twp
21			
22		Burlington	Bass River Twp
23			Evesham Twp
24			Medford Lakes Boro
25			Medford Twp
26			New Hanover Twp
27			North Hanover Twp
28			Pemberton Twp
29			Shamong Twp
30			Southampton Twp
31			Springfield Twp
32			Tabernacle Twp
33			Washington Twp
34			Woodland Twp
35			Wrightstown Boro
36			
37		Camden	Berlin Boro
38			Berlin Twp
39			Chesilhurst Boro
40			Waterford Twp
41			Winslow Twp
42			
43		Cape May	Dennis Twp
44			Middle Twp
45			Upper Twp
46			Woodbine Boro
47			
48		Cumberland	Maurice River Twp
49			Vineland City
50			
51		Gloucester	Franklin Twp
52			Monroe Twp
53			
54		Ocean	Barnegat Twp
55			Beachwood Boro
56			Berkeley Twp
57			Eagleswood Twp
58			Jackson Twp

1		Lacey Twp	
2		Lakehurst Boro	
3		Little Egg Harbor Twp	
4		Manchester Twp	
5		Ocean Twp	
6		Plumsted Twp	
7		South Toms River Boro	
8		Stafford Twp	
9		Toms River Twp	
10		Tuckerton Boro	
11			
12	(9) RIDGE AND VALLEY GREENWAY		500,000
13			
14	Sussex	Andover Boro	
15		Andover Twp	
16		Branchville Boro	
17		Frankford Twp	
18		Fredon Twp	
19		Green Twp	
20		Hampton Twp	
21		Lafayette Twp	
22		Montague Twp	
23		Newton Town	
24		Sandyston Twp	
25		Stillwater Twp	
26		Sussex Boro	
27		Walpack Twp	
28		Wantage Twp	
29			
30	Warren	Blairstown Twp	
31		Frelinghuysen Twp	
32		Hackettstown Town	
33		Hardwick Twp	
34		Hope Twp	
35		Knowlton Twp	
36		Liberty Twp	
37			
38	TOTAL		\$12,642,000
39			

40 c. Any transfer of any funds, or change in project site, listed in
41 subsection b. of this section shall require the approval of the Joint
42 Budget Oversight Committee or its successor.

43 d. To the extent that moneys remain available after the projects
44 listed in subsection b. of this section are offered funding pursuant
45 thereto, any State project that previously received funding
46 appropriated or reappropriated from any Green Acres bond act, any
47 annual appropriations act, or the Garden State Green Acres
48 Preservation Trust Fund, established pursuant to the “Garden State
49 Preservation Trust Act,” P.L.1999, c.152 (C.13:8C-1 et seq.), for
50 recreation and conservation purposes shall be eligible to receive
51 additional funding, as determined by the Department of
52 Environmental Protection, subject to the approval of the Joint
53 Budget Oversight Committee or its successor.

1 For the purposes of this subsection, “Green Acres bond act”
2 means P.L.2009, c.117, P.L.2007, c.119, P.L.1995, c.204, P.L.1992,
3 c.88, and P.L.1989, c.183.

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5 2. a. There is appropriated to the Department of
6 Environmental Protection the sum of \$3,054,000 for the acquisition,
7 for recreation and conservation purposes, of lands throughout the
8 State that have been damaged by, or may be prone to incurring
9 damage caused by, storms or storm-related flooding, or that may
10 buffer or protect other lands from such damage, as follows:

11 (1) \$3,044,000 from dedicated corporation business tax
12 revenues pursuant to Article VIII, Section II, paragraph 6 of the
13 State Constitution in the “Preserve New Jersey Blue Acres Fund,”
14 established pursuant to section 7 of the “Preserve New Jersey Act,”
15 P.L.2016, c.12 (C.13:8C-49); and

16 (2) \$10,000 from the unexpended balances in the Diesel Risk
17 Mitigation Fund - Constitutional Dedication account and the Diesel
18 Risk Mitigation Administrative Costs - Constitutional Dedication
19 account made available for this purpose pursuant to the provisions
20 of P.L.2018, c.53.

21 b. The funds appropriated pursuant to subsection a. of this
22 section shall be allocated as follows:

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24 Project	County	Municipality	Amount
26 BLUE ACRES			\$3,054,000
28	Every county	Every municipality	
30 TOTAL			\$3,054,000

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32 c. The expenditure of moneys appropriated pursuant to this
33 section is subject to the provisions of the “Preserve New Jersey
34 Act,” P.L.2016, c.12 (C.13:8C-43 et seq.).

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36 3. a. There is reappropriated to the Department of
37 Environmental Protection the unexpended balances, due to project
38 cancellations or cost savings, of the amounts appropriated or
39 reappropriated from this act, any Green Acres bond act, any annual
40 appropriations act, or the Garden State Green Acres Preservation
41 Trust Fund, established pursuant to the "Garden State Preservation
42 Trust Act," P.L.1999, c.152 (C.13:8C-1 et seq.), for State projects
43 to acquire or develop lands for recreation and conservation
44 purposes, for the purpose of providing additional funding, as
45 determined by the Department of Environmental Protection, to any
46 State project that previously received funding appropriated or
47 reappropriated from any Green Acres bond act, any annual
48 appropriations act, or the Garden State Green Acres Preservation
49 Trust Fund for recreation and conservation purposes or that receives

1 funding approved pursuant to section 1 of this act, subject to the
2 approval of the Joint Budget Oversight Committee or its successor.
3 Any such additional funding provided from a Green Acres bond act
4 may include administrative costs.

5 b. For the purposes of this section, "Green Acres bond act"
6 means P.L.2009, c.117, P.L.2007, c.119, P.L.1995, c.204, P.L.1992,
7 c.88, and P.L.1989, c.183.

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9 4. a. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the
10 "Preserve New Jersey Green Acres Fund," established pursuant to
11 section 6 of the "Preserve New Jersey Act," P.L.2016, c.12
12 (C.13:8C-48), the sum of \$12,606,000 to implement the provisions
13 of this act.

14 b. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the
15 "Preserve New Jersey Blue Acres Fund," established pursuant to
16 section 7 of the "Preserve New Jersey Act," P.L.2016, c.12
17 (C.13:8C-49), the sum of \$3,044,000 to implement the provisions of
18 this act.

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20 5. This act shall take effect immediately.

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23 STATEMENT

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25 This bill appropriates the sum of \$15.696 million to the
26 Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) to provide funding
27 for the acquisition by the State of lands for recreation and
28 conservation purposes, including for Blue Acres projects, pursuant
29 to the "Preserve New Jersey Act," P.L.2016, c.12 (C.13:8C-43 et
30 seq.).

31 The funding in this bill is provided from constitutionally
32 dedicated corporation business tax (CBT) revenues pursuant to
33 Article VIII, Section II, paragraph 6 of the State Constitution,
34 approved by the voters of the State in November 2014, including
35 the unexpended balances in the Diesel Risk Mitigation Fund -
36 Constitutional Dedication account and the Diesel Risk Mitigation
37 Administrative Costs - Constitutional Dedication account made
38 available for this purpose pursuant to the provisions of P.L.2018,
39 c.53 (i.e., the FY2019 annual appropriations act). The "Preserve
40 New Jersey Act" implements for State fiscal years 2017 through
41 2019, the constitutional dedication of CBT revenues for open space,
42 farmland, and historic preservation. The act provides that of the 60
43 percent of dedicated CBT revenues allocated each year for the
44 Green Acres program: 55 percent would be used for State open
45 space acquisition and development projects; 38 percent would be
46 used for grants and loans to fund local government open space
47 acquisition and development projects; and 7 percent would be used
48 for grants to fund open space acquisition and development projects

1 undertaken by qualifying tax exempt nonprofit organizations. Of
2 the funding for State open space acquisition and development
3 projects: 50 percent would be used for acquisition projects and 50
4 percent would be used for development projects. This bill
5 appropriates moneys for State open space acquisition projects.

6 Specifically, this bill appropriates \$12.642 million to the DEP to
7 provide funding for the acquisition by the State of lands for
8 recreation and conservation purposes. Of this funding, \$12.606
9 million is from the "Preserve New Jersey Green Acres Fund" and
10 \$36,000 is from the unexpended balances in the Diesel Risk
11 Mitigation Fund - Constitutional Dedication account and the Diesel
12 Risk Mitigation Administrative Costs - Constitutional Dedication
13 account made available for this purpose pursuant to the provisions
14 of P.L.2018, c.53. The "Preserve New Jersey Green Acres Fund"
15 was established by section 6 of the "Preserve New Jersey Act."
16 This appropriation allocates funding for the acquisition by the State
17 of lands for recreation and conservation purposes in nine project
18 categories throughout the State.

19 In addition, this bill appropriates \$3.054 million to the DEP to
20 provide funding by the State for the acquisition, for recreation and
21 conservation purposes, of properties throughout the State that are
22 prone to or have incurred flood or storm damage, or that may buffer
23 or protect other lands from such damage, i.e., "Blue Acres"
24 projects. Of this funding, \$3.044 million is from the "Preserve New
25 Jersey Blue Acres Fund" and \$10,000 is from the unexpended
26 balances in the Diesel Risk Mitigation Fund - Constitutional
27 Dedication account and the Diesel Risk Mitigation Administrative
28 Costs - Constitutional Dedication account made available for this
29 purpose pursuant to the provisions of P.L.2018, c.53. The
30 "Preserve New Jersey Blue Acres Fund" was established by section
31 7 of the "Preserve New Jersey Act."

32 The projects and appropriations listed in this bill have been
33 approved by the DEP and the Garden State Preservation Trust.

34 Lastly, the bill authorizes the department to re-distribute certain
35 other moneys made available by project cancellations or cost
36 savings to provide additional funding, for recreation and
37 conservation purposes, to previously approved and funded State
38 projects, subject to the approval of the Joint Budget Oversight
39 Committee. The bill provides that the additional funding, if
40 provided from a Green Acres bond act, may include administrative
41 costs.